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Please list the LGBTQ+ organizations you are affiliated with and any donations you have given.

26Health - Board Member | Come Out With Pride - Former Board Member

Please summarize your history of community involvement. This may include city boards, civic associations, non-profits, etc.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., NAACP, National Action Network, 26Health

Please list other endorsements you have received.

"- [] Commissioner Mike Scott

- [] Commissioner George Oliver III

- [] Commissioner Claudia Thomas

- [] Public Defender Melissa Vickers

- [] Orange County Property Appraiser Amy Mercado

- [] OCPS SBM Anne Douglas

- [] OCPS SBM Vicki E. Felder

- [] OCPS SBM Stephanie Vanos

- [] SW Dr. Jim Moyer

- [] SW Samuel Chambers
- [] Dr. LaVon Wright Bracy
- [] Barbie Harden Hall, Candidate CD 11
- [x] Senator Rosalind Osgood
- [x] Senator Victor Torres
- [x] Senator Bobby Powell
- [x] Senator Darryl Rouson
- [x] Senator Shevrin Jones
- [x] Senator Kristen Arrington
- [x] The Honorable Tom Keen
- [x] The Honorable Alzo Reddick
- [x] Rep. Ashley V. Gantt
- [x] Rep. Daryl Campbell
- [x] Rep. Jervontae Edmonds
- [x] Rep. Michelle Rayner
- [x] Rep. Lindsay Cross
- [x] Rep. Marie Woodson
- [x] Representative Leonard Spencer
- [x] Representative Rita Harris
- [x] Representative Dr. Anna V. Eskamani
- [x] Representative LaVon Bracy Davis
- [x] Organizations: Florida Realtors, Orlando Professional Firefighters, Orange County Professional Firefighters, Florida Professional Firefighters, Run For Something"

What motivated you to run for this position?

"What motivated me to run for this position is simple, our communities deserve better, and I'm ready to fight for it. I've seen the gaps in access, equity, and opportunity that too many families face. I'm running to be a voice for the voiceless, a bridge between the people and policy, and a champion for real change.

This isn't about politics. It's about purpose. I believe in us, and I believe the future we deserve is one we must build together. There are extremists in Tallahassee that are trying to take us back to a time where people didn't have the resources or access or rights that would fulfill the promise this country made about liberty and justice for all but never fulfilled. They are trying to take us back to those times and it is time for allies and friends in the fight stand up and say not on my watch.

What does being an ally or advocate for the LGBTQ+ community mean to you?

"Being an ally and advocate for the LGBTQ+ community means showing up, not just in words, but in action. It means standing alongside those who are too often marginalized, listening to their voices, affirming their dignity, and using my platform to fight for policies that protect and uplift them.

It's about creating spaces where everyone can live openly, love freely, and be seen fully, without fear or discrimination. Being an ally means calling out injustice, even when it's uncomfortable, and working every day to ensure equity, safety, and respect for all people, regardless of who they are or who they love."

Have you attended an LGBTQ+ Pride Month celebration or Orlando's Come Out With Pride?

Yes, I formerly sat on the board of Come Out With Pride

Have you attended or supported a drag show or drag performance in our community?

Yes, at the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Please choose the position you are running for.

Florida House of Representatives, District 40

Would you oppose any and all legislation that criminalizes the medical treatment of transgender youth? If not, why?

Yes

Will you oppose using taxpayer dollars to subsidize private and charter schools that discriminate against LGBTQ+ students and families?

Yes

Do you support teaching comprehensive, LGBTQ-inclusive, age-appropriate sex education and HIV/STD prevention programs in our public schools?

Yes

Would you support/co-sponsor legislation creating a non-binary gender marker option on state licenses?

Yes

What kind of gun safety measures do you support that would reduce potential violence against the LGBTQ+ community and general gun violence?

"I support common-sense gun safety measures that protect all communities, including the LGBTQ+ community, from violence. That includes universal background checks, closing gun show and online loopholes, implementing red flag laws to keep guns out of the hands of those who pose a danger to themselves or others, and banning assault weapons and high-capacity magazines.

I also support funding for community-based violence prevention programs, mental health services, and stronger protections against hate-motivated violence. Gun safety isn't about partisanship, it's about saving lives and ensuring that every person, no matter who they are or who they love, can live without fear."

Will you support legislation requiring fair and equal access to essential healthcare for transgender persons? 1

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What are the top environmental concerns you feel should be addressed, and what solutions do you plan to bring forward if you were elected?1

"One of the top environmental concerns in our district, and across Florida is the impact of climate change on our air, water, and public health. Rising temperatures, flooding, and extreme weather are threatening our communities, especially low-income neighborhoods and communities of color.

If elected, I'll prioritize clean water protections, invest in resilient infrastructure, and push for a just transition to renewable energy. That means holding polluters accountable, supporting green jobs, and making sure frontline communities have a seat at the table in environmental decision-making.

Protecting our environment is not just about conservation, it's about justice, sustainability, and safeguarding our future."